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IV Lack of unity of in								
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VI Certain document	VI Certain documents cited							
VII Certain defects in	the international application							
VIII Certain observations on the international application								
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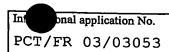
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I. Basis of the	I. Basis of the report								
1. This report has been drawn on the basis of (Replacement sheets which have been furnished to the receiving Office in response to an invitation under Article 14 are referred to in this report as "originally filed" and are not annexed to the report since they do not contain amendments.):									
	the international application as originally filed.								
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2. The amend	lments have result	ted in the cancellation of:							
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4. Additional	observations, if n	necessary:							
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YES

NO

v .	Reasoned statement under Article 35(2) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement						
1.	Statement						
	Novelty (N)	Claims	1-6	YES			
		Claims		NO			
	Inventive step (IS)	Claims	1-6	YES			
		Claims		NO			
	Industrial applicability (IA)	Claims	1-6	NEC.			

2. Citations and explanations

Industrial applicability (IA)

The following documents, cited in the international search report, have been considered to be relevant to the examination of the present application. The numbering given below will be used throughout the rest of the procedure:

- (1) WO-A-99 58527;
- (2) WO-A-00 58282 (cited in the application);

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- WO-A-99 51575 (cited in the application); (3)
- (4a) JP-A-05 125024 (cited in the application).

1. Novelty

None of the claimed compounds, which are useful for treating schizophrenia, is described in the aforementioned documents. It follows that the application as claimed is novel over the content of documents (1)-(4a).

2. Inventiveness

As the applicant pointed out correctly in the description of the application, document (4a) is the closest prior art.

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In view of the tables in document (4a), it appears that the claimed compounds are not suggested in (4a) and that the application as claimed can therefore be considered to be inventive over (4a).

- 3. Observation with respect to form
- 3.1 When the application enters the regional phase, document (1) should be cited and discussed in the description.